

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

A Regular Council Meeting was held on April 23, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. in the meeting room of the Zephyrhills Library.

President Smith called the meeting to order. Roll call was taken. Present were members Charlie Proctor, Ken Burgess, Lance Smith, Alan Knight, Jodi Wilkeson, and Mayor Whitfield. City Manager Steve Spina and City Attorney Matthew Maggard were also present.

Staff present: Police Chief Derek Brewer, Utilities Director John Bostic, Public Works Director Shane LeBlanc, Building Official Bill Burgess, Finance Director Brian Williams, IT Director Mike Panak, Airport Manager Nathan Coleman, Assistant Planner Rodney Corriveau, and City Clerk Lori Hillman.

Dale Miller from the Church of the Living Word gave the Invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Alan Knight moved the minutes of the April 9, 2018 Regular Meeting and minutes of the April 13, 2018 Special Meeting be approved. Seconded by Ken Burgess. Motion passed unanimously.

Council President Smith asked for a round of applause in recognition of Councilman Knight's term as Council President, newly elected Councilwoman Jodi Wilkeson and reelected Councilman Charlie Proctor.

CONSENT ITEMS

1. Jones Edmunds Task Assignment (JE 18-05) State Revolving Fund Funding Assistance
2. Award contract to C.W. Roberts for Taxiway B Reconstruction
3. Award contract to C.W. Roberts for Runway 1-19 Miscellaneous Improvements

Charlie Proctor moved to approve the Consent Items. Seconded by Ken Burgess. Motion passed unanimously.

City Manager Steve Spina said grant funding for Taxiway B is \$2.6M and Runway 1-19 is \$1.4M.

Lance Smith said the City is receiving 90% funding from the federal government and 80% funding from the state toward airport projects. He commended Airport Manager Nathan Coleman on the great job he is doing as the Airport Manager.

Dr. Spina said the State Revolving Fund Funding Assistance grant is a \$60,000, low interest, state loan to be used on improvements outlined in the City's Capital Improvement Plan.

BUSINESS ITEMS

PUBLIC HEARING

1. **Second Reading ORDINANCE NO. 1358-18 – “AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ZEPHYRHILLS, FLORIDA, TO BE KNOWN AS THE ZEPHYRHILLS MUNICIPAL AIRPORT ZONING ORDINANCE; SETTING FORTH DEFINITIONS; ESTABLISHING AN APPLICATION PROCESS; CONSTRUCTION; NOTICE REQUIREMENTS; AIRPORT HAZARD ZONES AND AIRSPACE HEIGHT LIMITATIONS; LAND USE RESTRICTIONS; NOISE IMPACT AREA; NONCONFORMING USES; ENFORCEMENT PROCEDURE; APPEAL PROCEDURES; SEVERABILITY; CODIFICATION; AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.”**

Ordinance #1358-18 was read by title. Dr. Spina said this ordinance establishes Airport Zoning on property surrounding the Airport and includes a map of runway clearance zones necessary in the future. He said the City is working with Pasco County on an Interlocal Agreement to keep large sections of land immediately outside the City limits from being developed as residential and places of congregation along with minimizing negative effects on property owners in the area, and limiting the growth impact on the airport.

A public hearing was held and there were no comments from the audience. Alan Knight moved Ordinance #1358-18 be passed on the second reading. Seconded by Charlie Proctor. Motion passed unanimously.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

2. FY18-19 Budget Schedule

Finance Director Brian Williams presented a preliminary budget schedule for Council to mark their calendars.

City Manager Dr. Spina said budget meetings will begin next month with department heads and a tentative Budget Workshop is scheduled for Monday, July 16th. He said the City is required to set a millage rate at the second meeting in July and hold Public Hearings on the budget in September. He stated this year's budget will encompass Fire Assessment Fee discussions as a new mode of revenue and its impact on the budget as well as a succession plan for the City Manager's position which he recommended be appointed by Council.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

3. Property located at 5317 Gall Blvd. (former Clock Restaurant).

Dr. Spina said Mike Prilliman and Mark Ayers spoke at the April 8th meeting to present the potential use of the old Clock Restaurant property as a golf cart sales location of which staff opposed. He said Mr. Crandall withdrew his offer to lease the Clock Restaurant property following Council's discussion. Planning Director Todd Vande Berg provided Mike Prilliman with maps of zoning districts within the City where golf carts can be sold.

4. Stephanie Ebling of 5453 10th Street (miniature potbellied pig).

Dr. Spina said Stephanie Ebling spoke in support of her miniature potbellied pig, Lucky, at the April 9th meeting. He said the City Code provides only for domestic animals to serve as pets and potbellied pigs are specifically mentioned as not being domestic. He checked with Pasco County Animal Control and their code does not reference potbellied pigs. He stated Building Official Bill Burgess notified Rural King, the location where Lucky was purchased to ask that a sign be posted advising patrons to check with local government prior to their purchase.

Spoke from the floor: Stephanie Ebling – 5453 10th Street – Zephyrhills, FL 33542

Ms. Ebling said Lucky is one of her kids. She said she was sick last week and he was by her side the whole time. She said she understands the City enforcing the code and has no problem with Council's decision.

Lance Smith thanked Ms. Ebling for being courteous and kind and said Council sympathizes with her situation but unfortunately Council has to enforce the codes and ordinances. He directed the City Manager to work with Ms. Ebling.

5. Acronym List

Dr. Spina said an acronym list was created for use in deciphering acronyms used by staff during their presentations.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Spoke from the floor: Monica Brooke Taney – 8104 Bluebell Lane – Zephyrhills, FL 33540

Ms. Taney said there was recently a crisis in Syria where the Russian backed government felt they had been attacked by the United States when children and citizens in Syria were poisoned and the Russians were threatening to retaliate. She asked where citizens would find safety if the City were under attack. She suggested a Civil Air Defense Plan be established.

Dr. Spina said Pasco County has an Emergency Operations Center charged with emergencies countywide and added the City's police, fire, public works, and utility departments work with Pasco County closely during emergencies. He said Pasco County's Emergency

Management Director Kevin Guthrie is the guest speaker at the May 3rd MAP Meeting. Dr. Spina said will speak with Mr. Guthrie and follow up with Ms. Taney.

MAYOR ANNOUNCEMENTS – Mayor Whitfield said Sam Turgeon put a post on Facebook last week to draw out a few positive comments and the response from people commenting on all the great things in Zephyrhills was fulfilling and rewarding. Mr. Whitfield said he received an email from the grandmother of a former Youth Council Member, Madison Stott. He said Madison is in the U.S. Army Reserves and has been activated. He said Madison is in New Mexico serving as a Specialist 4th Class in the Military Police.

CITY MANAGER ANNOUNCEMENTS – Dr. Spina referred Council to a copy of Resolution 698-15 Policies and Procedures for Naming Facilities. He said Councilman Knight suggested the idea in recognition of former Councilman Kenneth Compton’s 12 years of service.

Councilman Knight suggested creating a place for plaques in the City Hall courtyard to recognize former Councilman Kenneth Compton.

CITY ATTORNEY ANNOUNCEMENTS – N/A

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS – Councilwoman Wilkeson said it is very nice to be back and thanked everyone for the outpouring of condolences and support with the passing of her father on April 15th. She said her father was her biggest fan and her most trusted advisor.

Councilman Knight – N/A

Councilman Burgess said his wife worked for Jodi’s dad for a number of years and speaks about him with a high level of respect. He said Madison Strott is his niece and she is currently assigned to New Mexico for pre-deployment training prior to deployment to Saudi Arabia for a year.

Councilman Proctor said he was sorry of hear of the loss of Jodi’s father. He thanked all the citizens that came out during the election to support him and recognized Devin Alexander for running a great race. He said Devin is a fine young man who has a lot to offer this community.

Council President Smith said he attended the watch party of Councilwoman Wilkeson and while he was there it was announced that she had won. He said the next thing he knew, Devin came walking in to congratulate Ms. Wilkeson. He said Devin will help the community do great things. He said he drove through the Hercules Property and was impressed with the retention pond landscaping.

Dr. Spina said City crews cut grass, cleaned up debris, asphalt piles, and trimmed trees while Pasco County crews cleaned the pool building at the request of Culver’s Restaurant who have scheduled their grand opening April 30th.

Council President Smith asked Public Works Director Shane LeBlanc to congratulate his crews for a great job. He addressed Councilwoman Wilkeson to convey his condolences to her and her family.

Meeting adjourned 6:50 p.m.